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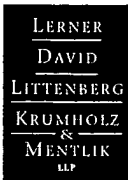
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Dear Sir:

We are enclosing herewith a copy of a filing receipt dated November 14, 2003 for the above-identified patent application.

Please note that the filing receipt is incorrect. Please delete the priority data listed in the corrected filing receipt and insert the following under **Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant**:

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